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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 11, 2006**

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 11, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on November 11, 2006, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/MRKS/0132/WBP the fee of \$600 for excess claims and for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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